

With the impending closure of the facility, the Twin Cities Research Center Transition Task Force has been developing a vision to transform the center into an applied engineering and physical sciences research institute. In order to accomplish their mission, the title of the land, buildings and equipment must be transferred at no cost to the State of Minnesota so that the new institute is able to lease the facility from the State to work in conjunction with the University of Minnesota. In this new arrangement, it may be necessary to transfer the equipment to the Natural Resources Research Institute in Duluth, sell some of the property, and/or manage the facilities in an innovative and cost-effective manner.

This no-cost transfer of public property will preserve the research capabilities of the Bureau of Mines' Twin Cities Research Center, continue the University's partnership with the State, and create economic opportunities for Minnesotans and the mining industry.

Mr. Speaker, for the reasons stated, this property transfer is important. That is why in the report accompanying H.R. 308 (House Report 104-372, p. 2) language is included directing the General Services Administration to expedite negotiations to transfer the U.S. Bureau of Mines, Twin Cities Research Center, in Minneapolis to be used in conjunction with the University of Minnesota. I am pleased with the inclusion of this language and look forward to the transfer.

#### TRIBUTE TO GERTRUDE MAXWELL

HON. MARK FOLEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 13, 1995*

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker I rise today to pay tribute to the founder and lifetime Chairman of Save a Pet, Mrs. Gertrude Maxwell. Dedicated to protecting the rights of animals, Mrs. Maxwell and Save a Pet have saved over 50,000 pets. And on the upcoming commemoration of Save a Pet Day this weekend, I want to share with my colleagues in the House of Representatives and Senate, and the entire Nation, the remarkable work of Mrs. Maxwell and Save a Pet.

Founded in 1972 in Illinois, Save a Pet provides funds for surgery, transport, therapy, placement of pets in responsible homes to provide people with companionship. The organization promotes the idea that relationships between people and animals benefit both parties. It has a 100% adoption rate, does not support euthanasia, and promotes the widespread use of spaying or neutering to end overpopulation and neglect. Save a Pet is strongly committed to educating us to treat animals humanely with love and respect.

When a 1-year old nameless mutt was found paralyzed on South Dixie Highway, in South Florida, Nancy Mizelle found it difficult to fund treatment. She contacted Mrs. Maxwell who immediately funded the treatment. "I wasn't going to let an animal die because of money," she said.

Mrs. Maxwell has connected her organization with various other volunteer agencies to enhance service to pets. In 1994, a 5-year-old Labrador was shot by a Palm Beach County sheriff's deputy, the dog needed to be trans-

ported to the University of Florida veterinary facility. Mrs. Maxwell arranged for the dog's surgery and transportation.

Maxwell's philanthropies began long before she founded Save a Pet. As a teacher and social worker, she served her community and was able to form interrelationships between people and pets. Every week for 25 years, between 1949 and 1974 she would drive 60 miles to teach underprivileged children. She taught them about the love and responsibility involved in owning a pet and the proper way to treat animals. As a social worker she set up programs to bring the love of pets into the homes of inmates and retirees. Mrs. Maxwell provided loving companionship for people everywhere she went.

Her interest in solving community problems including prison reform, therapeutic policies for troubled children and adolescents, and for improving senior citizen lifestyles earned her the appointment of honorary State's Attorney for the 15th Judicial Circuit of Florida in September, 1981.

Gertrude Maxwell's philosophy can be a lesson to us all. In her words,

We do not live alone on Planet Earth. There are other living things here, too. The other living things are the animals whose useful service shares our homes and hearts, the pets and the wild creatures who are part of our daily lives.

This compassion for animals including promoting their freedom from want, from suffering, and from pain is commendable and will not be forgotten.

Mrs. Maxwell has been a true servant to my community and I thank her for a lifetime of dedication to such a noble cause. On this year's Save a Pet Day, and during this holiday season, let us all take time to thank valuable members of our local communities like Mrs. Maxwell, and give them the credit they deserve.

#### A TRIBUTE TO MALCOLM AND MARY FARRELL FOR 68 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 13, 1995*

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I've been involved in Scouting for most of my adult life, and few things have given me more satisfaction. Scouting has always been and continues to be an apprenticeship in life, a preparation for citizenship and a source of our future leaders.

That's why I take great pride in drawing your attention to Malcolm "Mac" Farrell and Mary Farrell of Schuylerville, NY in my congressional district. One would be hard pressed to find a couple who have done more to fulfill these missions of the Boy Scouts of America throughout their lifetimes. In fact, Mac and Mary have each contributed 34 years of service to scouting. That's a total of 68 years worth of guidance for the youth of Schuylerville.

Through their years of service, Malcolm has held the position of cub master for pack 13 in Schuylerville, while Mary has been the secretary and treasurer of the pack. Their leader-

ship in these positions has certainly shown through considering the success and direction of the entire Boy Scout community in Schuylerville. In addition, their commitment of 34 years has brought a great degree of continuity and success to cub scout operations. In fact, after undergoing this apprenticeship in life with Mac and Mary, generations of boys and young men have become valued members of their families, communities, and Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I would add that those who worry about the direction of this country can take comfort in the sound guidance offered by people like Malcolm and Mary who have promoted the popularity of Scouting along with its principles of community service and moral values. In that regard, I have always been one to judge people based on what they return to their community. By that measure, Malcolm and Mary Farrell are truly great Americans.

This Sunday, friends and family will join the Farrell's in celebration and tribute to their decades of selfless sacrifice and service to Scouting. Mr. Speaker, knowing that many other Members of this body are also products of Scouting and share my high admiration for the Boy Scouts of America, I proudly ask them and all Members to join me in paying tribute to Mary and Malcolm Farrell and wishing them many more happy years, they have certainly earned it.

#### A SALUTE TO LIONEL HAMPTON

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 13, 1995*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Lionel Hampton, a great artist, a great American, a great ambassador, and one of the greatest musicians America has ever known.

In tribute to Lionel Hampton, I would like to share with you and this House, some of his highlights of the life of this extraordinary man.

Lionel Hampton, the reigning king of the vibraphone for over half a century, and one of the few surviving internationally renowned jazz talents of the swing era, was born in Birmingham, AL on April 20, 1908. He was a member of the Benny Goodman Quartet which was the first racially integrated group of jazz musicians in the Nation, but left the group to form his own big band in the early 1940's.

His original ballad, Midnight Sun, written with Johnny Mercer and Sonny Burke, has become an American jazz and popular classic. His two major symphonic works, the King David Suite and Blues Suite have been performed by many leading symphonic orchestras throughout the world.

Nevertheless, whether you are familiar with his musical accomplishments, over the years, Lionel Hampton has known no status where he was not eagerly accepted, as he has been well received the world over by Presidents, politicians, kings, and queens. His very music has caused the walls of Communist nations to come tumbling down.

Allow me now to share with you Lionel Hampton, the constituent, the friend, the community leader. His frame and greatness have not let him forget the homeless and the hopeless. Long a supporter of public housing, he developed the Lionel Hampton Houses in the early 1970's, and upon completion, built the